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1. DEPT. DISAPPOINTED RE DECISION NOT TO ACCEPT BLANSHARD DUE TO DIFFICULT HOUSING SITUATION AND UNCERTAIN WHAT POST MEANS BY "PRECEDENT OF USG HOUSING FOR NON-USG EMPLOYEE". DEPARTMENT HAD HOPED THAT CU GRANT PROVISION FOR HOUSING ALLOWANCE RPT ALLOWANCE WOULD NOT PRESENT DIFFICULTIES MENTIONED IN PARA 3 OF REFTEL. EVEN ALLOWING FOR SCARCITY OF HOUSING, COULD GRANTEE NOT GO OUT ON MARKET WITH RENTAL PAYMENT ASSURED? WOULD GURC BE RECEPTIVE TO PAYING TRANSPORT FOR GRANTEE AND FAMILY IN LIEU OF HOUSING?

2. BLANSHARD WILL BE NOTIFIED HE NOT SELECTED. CIES PRESENTLY CONSIDERING TWO SINGLE CANDIDATES FOR AMERICAN HISTORY POSITION WHO DO NOT APPEAR AS STRONG AS BLANSHARD. IF THEY PASS SCREENING, WILL FORWARD NOMINATIONS SOONEST. NO CANDIDATE IN LINGUISTICS YET RECEIVED BUT SUPPLEMENTARY ANNOUNCEMENT JUST CIRCULATED MAY RESULT IN NOMINATIONS.

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3. IN 1976-77 ANNOUNCEMENT, WILL INSTRUCT CIES TO INDICATE THAT PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO SINGLE OR CHILDLESS APPLICANTS DUE TO HOUSING SITUATION. THIS RESTRICTION MAY RESULT IN LESS EXPERIENCED, YOUNGER SCHOLAR APPLICANTS. KISSINGER

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